



South Florida Water Management District

Governing Board Projects & Lands Committee MEETING MINUTES

July 8, 2009

2:00 PM

Or immediately following Workshop
District Headquarters -- B1 Auditorium
3301 Gun Club Rd, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Members Present:

Melissa Meeker

Jerry Montgomery

Patrick Rooney

Members Absent:

Shannon Estenoz

1. Call meeting to Order - Patrick Rooney, Chair

Chair Rooney called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM in the Storch Room at District Headquarters.

Mr. Dauray and Mr. Buermann also attended the meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the Minutes for the February 11, 2009, Project & Lands Committee meeting held in West Palm Beach, Florida

On a motion by Mr. Montgomery and seconded by Ms. Meeker, the minutes for the February 11, 2009, meeting were unanimously approved.

3. Changes to Agenda - Annette Carter, Director, Office of Governing Board and Executive Services

There were no changes to the agenda.

4. Engineering Process and Level of Service - Jeff Kivett, Director, Engineering Department, Everglades Restoration (ext. 4018)

Mr. Kivett provided an overview on the process for developing plans and specifications for construction projects. There was also a discussion on the Quality Assurance / Quality Control process associated with the design process. The improved Quality Control process has resulted in minimal change orders.

Mr. Montgomery commended staff on the process and commented on the cost savings for following the process.

5. Construction Update - Ulrich Cordon, Director, Construction Department, Everglades Restoration (ext. 4201)

Mr. Cordon reviewed the role of construction management and projects currently under construction. The project workload for FY09 is 64 projects at a cost of \$398M. Mr. Cordon also reviewed the project workload for FY10 which included 45 new District and 10 ACOE projects.

Mr. Dauray asked about using SAP to manage the projects. Mr. Kivett commented on the technical construction management software integrating with the SAP projects system module.

Mr. Buermann commented on inspections and checklists.

6. Briefing on USACE and SFWMD Coordination Activities - Tommy Strowd, Assistant Deputy Executive Director, Everglades Restoration (ext. 6998)

Mr. Strowd provided a briefing on the USACE and SFWMD project coordination which ensures technical coordination between the two agencies. Mr. Strowd discussed design criteria, project liaisons, improved communication and bimonthly meetings.

There was discussion about value engineering with USACE for construction projects.

7. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

8. Adjourn

Chair Rooney discussed having meetings every 3 months. The next meeting, however, is tentatively scheduled for August 2009 to discuss surplus lands. The meeting adjourned at 5:18 PM.

Patrick Rooney
Chairman
Projects and Lands Committee

Recorded By:

Jacki McGorty
District Clerk
Governing Board and Executive Services
SFWMD